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ABSTRACT

An artificially produced canine milk substitute composition is provided which contains, on a dry matter basis, from about 35 to 45% by weight protein, from about 25 to 35% by weight fat, and from about 10 to 25% by weight carbohydrates. The amounts of fat and protein included in the composition provide an essential amino acid profile and fatty acid profile which is close to that of natural bitch milk. The composition may be administered to suckling puppies to provide optimum growth performance.